

November 20, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians of Grade 12 Catholic Central students:

As we settle into the second quarter of the school year, it becomes time to make plans for Graduation 2024. Updates on graduation will be posted on the homepage of our website: www.holyspirit.ab.ca/cch under "School" tab/ "Graduation Information." Additionally, continued updates will be uploaded in the Grad 2024 Google Classroom as we prepare to celebrate the academic achievements of our Graduating Class!

Please note that ALL Grade 12 students/parents are receiving this information letter. This does not necessarily mean that the student is on the Grad 2024 list. The guidance counselors will be contacting Grade 12 students who do not currently meet graduation requirements. A graduation list will also be posted at each campus by the end of quarter 2, and updated regularly. If you have questions about your child's graduation status, please contact the school and speak with an administrator or guidance counselor.

Graduation Parent Meeting - Thursday, February 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria on CEast

Grad Photographs: Our photographer this year is Lifetouch Canada. There is NO CHARGE to grads to have their picture taken. Pictures are taken on these dates and times:

- November 27 December 1, 2023
- February 5-23, 2024
- March 4-8, 2024

Grads can book these sessions online at <u>prestigeportraits.ca</u> Select Alberta, Lethbridge then choose your location (Catholic Central High School) from the drop down list of schools and select day and time to book. The online booking system is now open. If you cannot book any of these times, please call Lifetouch at 780-437-2431 to arrange a time and date.

Grads will have their pictures taken with cap and gown (as provided by Lifetouch at their studio). The following are suggestions for the best photos:

- look like the "best version" of yourself, which means if grads plan to have hair and makeup done for pictures, make sure you look like you!
- the grad gown is a v-neck, so it is wise to wear either something that is also a v-neck or a shirt with a tie. Do not wear a hoodie or a sweater that adds any sort of bulk to the neckline/ underneath the gown.
- You may also choose to have other pics taken ie: with a grad dress or suit or with "props" like hockey sticks or dance shoes, etc.

Please note: Students are NOT required to purchase packages from Lifetouch but each graduate must have this picture taken from Lifetouch as CCH will not accept other headshots taken by another photographer.

Dates and Details:

- 1. Grad Mass, Friday, May 10, 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m, Enmax (plan for 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 hours)
- 2. Grad Ceremonies, Saturday, May 11, 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m, Enmax (plan for 3 hours)
- 3. Grand March (with Grad Dance to follow), Saturday, May 11, 7:30 p.m., Enmax (plan for 2 hours)

Grad Fees – are \$160. Fees will be attached to students on the preliminary grad list in JANUARY, 2024 (but are not attached yet). They will be due before/on March 17, 2024. Fees can be paid through School Cash Online, which can be accessed from our homepage: https://holyspirit.schoolcashonline.com/ For your convenience, we will be able to accept payment at the grad parent meeting (we can only take cash or cheque; NOT credit or debit). If you require assistance with this, please contact Tamara Wilson at the school when it is time.. Please note that all SCHOOL FEES must be paid with or before GRAD FEES can be paid.

Graduation information will be updated regularly in the Grad 2024 Google Classroom and on our website. Reminders will also be provided on Instagram. Thank you for your time and assistance with this important event in the lives of our students.

Blessings,

Joanne Polec, Principal